English 1 HN: Shakespeare & Tragic Heroes

Independent Reading Project – Ms. Buckholtz

You should never pick a book just because it’s on a list. Do some research and make the bext decision for you on this reading assignment. But in case you’re not sure where to start, below are a few titles that students have been successful with in the past and enjoyed reading along the way.

**Dramas:**

* *Antigone* by Sophocles
* *Oedipus the King* by Sophocles
* *Hamlet* by William Shakespeare
* *Death of a Salesman* by Arthur Miller

**Dystopian/SciFi:**

* *Brave New World* by Aldous Huxley
* *Watchmen* by Alan Moore
* *When She Woke* by Hilary Jordan
* *My Name is Memory* by Ann Brashares
* *Ender’s Game* by Orson Scott Card
* *Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins
* *1984* by George Orwell
* *Wicked* by Gregory Maguire

**NonFiction:**

* *The Autobiography of Malcolm X* by Malcolm X
* *Inside Out: Portrait of an Eating Disorder* by Nadia Shivack
* *Blades: The Autobiography of a Rescue Helicopter Pilot* by J. William Turner
* *Into the Wild* by Jon Krakauer

**Classic Literature**:

* *The Count of Monte Cristo* by Alexandre Dumas
* *Ethan Frome* by Edith Wharton
* *Wuthering Heights* by Charlotte Bronte
* *The Phantom of the Opera* by Gaston Leroux
* *Grendel* by Jon Gardner
* *Wide Sargasso Sea* by Jean Rhys
* *Things Fall Apart* by Chinua Achebe
* *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald
* *The Old Man and the Sea* by Ernest Hemingway
* *The Scarlet Letter* by Nathaniel Hawthorne
* *The Odyssey* by Homer
* *Great Expectations* by Charles Dickens

**Realistic Fiction:**

* *Deadline* by Chris Crutcher
* *The Chocolate War* by Robert Cormier
* *We All Fall Down* by Robert Cormier
* *Dreamland* by Sarah Dessen
* *The Other Boleyn Girl* by Phillippa Gregory
* *One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest* by Ken Kesey
* *Beautiful Creatures* by Kami Garcia & Margaret Stothl
* *My Sister’s Keeper* by Jodi Picoult
* *Change of Heart* by Jodi Picoult
* *Street Love* by Walter Dean Myers
* *A Walk to Remember* by Nicholas Sparks